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June 7 sobriety checkpoint results

On Friday, June 7, the Springfield Police Department focused extra enforcement efforts on impaired driving by conducting a sobriety checkpoint in the westbound lanes of W. Chestnut Expressway, just east of N. Kansas Expressway in Springfield.

A total of 994 vehicles passed through the checkpoint from 10:36 p.m. on Friday to 2:30 a.m. Saturday morning. A total of four people were arrested for driving while intoxicated. One arrest was made for driving under the influence of drugs. Four arrests were made for driving while the license was revoked or suspended. Two arrests were made for drug possession; one was a misdemeanor, and the other was a felony. One misdemeanor warrant arrest was made.

In addition, two individuals were cited for not having a valid driver's license, two were cited for violating liquor laws, and one was cited for not having proof of insurance.

Drunk/drugged driving is one of America's most often-committed and deadliest crimes. Enforcement efforts of this nature help to take impaired drivers off the road and make travel safer. We are all part of the solution. For more information on impaired driving, visit the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety online.

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